## Seeker status: followup on current sites

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Subject: Seeker status: followup on current sites

Ottavia and Barbara,

In the suggested subprojects I put out this morning, I put one on ottavia's plate. This might not be the right thing, but let me explain.

- find who will get the release (ottavia)

We will have an alpha release product in a month that I would like to have the skids greased to get it into our customers hands. This could be done by either barbara or ottavia from my point of view.

## What it entails:

- \* contacting the sites we have shipped seeker to and figuring out what they are doing/not doing with it. See if the new release that can handle timesharing will help. These users would get first dibs at using the new code.
  - \* writing a release announcement with the help of brewster.
    This would go to all ae's and to the wais-interest mailing list.
  - \* work through the legal crap towards getting this system out there. I suggest we give away the binaries and licence the source code. The cambridge folks have been very confused about all of this.
  - \* creating a list of existing sites that should get the software.

This amounts to a product marketing position.

I will talk to each of you individually to see what makes sense here. We can be flexible in how we deal with all of this to suit schedules and desires.

-brawster

"Cogito Ergo Spud"

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What is going on with the release? I thought it was being tested...

I tested the indexing on different sizese of databases and with different VP ration. Not intensive in searching. I only tried once the relevant search, but that was long ago.

This is our way to learn how to put out CM software releases, so I guess we are learning our first lessons...

What stands between now and when we can give it to a few places? Should we at least announce it?

-brewster

Jonny,

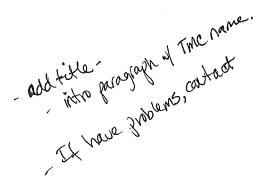
I already cleaned up seeker directory /proj/wais/latest/seeker. (Note not the test directory as I presume the test is wais b4 stuff)

The README file has the general information about seeker-ram, the build instructions, and the command syntax.

I need a writer to go over the README file to make sure it is English. And maybe you and Brewster can spent a few minutes read over the file to make sure it is easy to understand and contains the right amount of info.

Is it going to be a problem for you in building a release that seeker-ram works with b5 only (not b4)? Anything else you need in building the release?

-Tracy



## SEEKER-RAM README File

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I took a glance at this file...

I don't know anything about proper README etiquette, but i was wondering....

Should we add a title and intro paragraph? Perhaps a "if you have problems, or want to report bugs, contact.." line?

thanks, barbara

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